

REMARKS

In the above referenced Office Action dated June 11, 2003, the Examiner divided the claims into two groups.

- I. Claims 1-7 and 15-16, drawn to methods of synthesizing a repertoire of oligonucleotide tags of a predetermined length via a cleavage, ligation and amplification reaction and vector constructs, classifiable in class 435, subclass 91.2 and 320.1; and
- II. Claims 8-14, drawn to oligonucleotide tags, classified in class 536, subclasses 23.1, 24.3, 24.33, 24.5.

FEES

- No fees are believed due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account 50-2207.
- A self-addressed stamped postcard is enclosed for USPTO datestamp.

Respectfully submitted,
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